

Resolution authorizing a contract with Rodney Thomas an Independent Contractor, to provide Professional Consultant Services to evaluate processes and outcomes associated with the Pathfinder Federal Grant Program of the Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency.

(CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY) (\$17,040.00)

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency was awarded a Federal grant (Pathfinder) to assist child support obligors re-entering the community after incarceration in finding and retaining employment. The Pathfinder Grant was awarded under Section 1115(c) of the Social Security Act, which authorizes funds for experimental, pilot or demonstration projects that are likely to assist in promoting the objective of Part D of Title IV of the Act (the child support program). The grant specifically requires an independent evaluator to review the program, develop key statistical measures to compare the obligors who received the enhanced services of the Pathfinder Grant compared with a control group; and

WHEREAS, competitive procurement is not required for a contract under \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency (FCCSEA) Pathfinder Program solicited proposals from four (4) qualified individuals for evaluation services required by the Pathfinder Grant; and

WHEREAS, Rodney Thomas was deemed the best qualified individual to provide the services required under the Federal Grant; and

WHEREAS, funding for the evaluator's services is included in the grant funding and budget; and

WHEREAS, the grant is now in its final year and it is appropriate to begin evaluation of the grant program's effectiveness at this time; and

WHEREAS, this contract will be effective September 11, 2012 and will terminate not later than December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, this contract follows the Federal guidelines for professional consultant services regulations to allow the County to obtain federal financial reimbursement; now therefore:

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That the attached purchase order #20801125-00 is described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List and the attached contract with Rodney Thomas is hereby approved in the amounts listed:

AGENCY:
Franklin County Child Support
Enforcement Agency

CONTRACT AMOUNT:
\$17,040.00

PURCHASE ORDER AMOUNT: \$17,040.00

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cc: FCCSEA (3 Originals)